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UNCLE SAM'S FOREST RANGERS #482 OK

CHICAGO OUTLET

BLUE

( 11:30-12:15 P. M. )

TIME

( APRIL 17, 1942 )

DATE

( FRIDAY )

DAY

PRODUCTION

ANNOUNCER

ENGINEER

REMARKS

CAST:

BESS

JERRY

JIM

CHIEF





1. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers!
2. MUSIC: THEME
3. ANNOUNCER: Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers, in close cooperation with State
4. forestry and conservation departments, are striving today for
5. these things: The conservation of America's forests through
6. wise use, embracing the management of our country's present
7. timber stands for a sustained, perpetual yield; the restoration
8. to productive use of the Nation's vast cut-over lands; the
9. fullest contribution of wood to the war effort without
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12. Assistant Ranger Jerry Quick is fast finding out that a
13. district Forest Ranger's job, with its many responsibilities,
14. is no bed of roses. Jerry's been out in charge of the Pine
15. Cone District in the absence of Ranger Jim Robbins, who was
16. called to Washington, D. C., a few days ago, to take on a
17. special wartime assignment. At the Ranger Station we find
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19. mail piled in a heap before him.
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14. the world's greatest capital, our capital"....(STRAIGHT) Gosh,  
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18. I ate breakfast in the station restaurant and because it was  
19. still pretty early I just roamed around talking to folks here  
20. and there... mostly boys in uniform, soldiers and sailors and  
21. marines ... they're a grand lot, Bess, our fighting men -- men  
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1. JERRY: Yeah. And I bet they enjoyed talking to him, too... Well, he  
2. goes on and says (READING) "Then, finally, I took a taxi cab  
3. to the Department of Agriculture and in the South Building I  
4. hunted up Room three..oh..oh..one, the office where I was told  
5. to report. I (FADE) knocked on the door...

6. PAUSE

7. FADE IN KNOCKING ON DOOR

8. ACTING CHIEF: (OFF) Come in.

9. DOOR OPENS, CLOSES

10. JIM: Howdy. I'm Jim Robbins, Ranger from the Pine Cone National  
11. Forest. I was told to...

12. A. C.: Yes, yes, of course. Here, sit down, Ranger, I'll be with you  
13. in just a minute, soon as I make a call here...(BUZZ) Hello.  
14. Just want to tell you I'll be delayed a little in getting to  
15. that meeting... Yes, that's right. (CLICK) There, now.... I  
16. see you're fingering that pipe of yours, Ranger. Go ahead and  
17. light up if you want.

18. JIM: All right. I reckon I will just puff on this old pipe a bit  
19. if you don't mind, sir.

20. A. C.: Not at all. Well I see you got here all right. What do you  
21. think of Washington, Robbins? I guess it's a far cry from the  
22. Pine Cone.

23. JIM: Well...it's a kinda heavy dose to take all at once for an old  
24. wood rat like myself.

25. A. C.: How was your trip East?





1. JIM: I enjoyed it, sir. I'd recommend the same kind of a trip for  
2. anybody that's got any doubts about the way folks are pitchin'  
3. in to put Uncle Sam on top, in this war.

4. A. C.: I know what you mean. It takes getting around and seeing what  
5. other folks are doing to make a person realize how great a  
6. combined effort is being made to win this war. It makes you  
7. appreciate how important your own job is, however small and  
8. isolated that job may seem.

9. JIM: At one of the road crossings - just outside a country town, it  
10. was, I saw a whole family of folks, a man and his wife, and a  
11. boy about fourteen and a young girl about ten, all togged out  
12. in overalls, every blessed one of them, grinning and waving at  
13. us as we went by. They had a team of horses hitched to a  
14. truckload of sawlogs.

15. A. C.: You mean a wagonload of logs don't you, Ranger? Instead of a  
16. truckload?

17. JIM: That's what it was, sir. It was an old auto truck that'd been  
18. converted for use with a team. The motor was out of it, pulled  
19. out for scrap I reckon, and they'd put on wooden wagon wheels  
20. instead of rubber tires. I took it that they were hauling the  
21. load of logs to the mill.

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1. JIM: Yes sir. The four of 'em in their overalls grinned and waved  
 2. at us as we went by, like I said, and I imagined they were  
 3. thinking: Go on, you folks aboard that train, you do your  
 4. job and don't worry none about us. We're doin' our job! ...It  
 5. gave my heart a bounce to see them, improvised truck and all.  
 6. A. C.: Americans at work. Is that it?  
 7. JIM: Yes sir! I figure that when we got folks like that cheerfully  
 8. doing the best job they can with what little they got, this  
 9. country of ours will come out all right.  
 10. A. C.: Yes, that's a very definite part of the spirit of America...  
 11. Well, have you had a chance to visit any of the other Forest  
 12. Service offices here in the building, Robbins?  
 13. JIM: No sir. I came right here first of all.  
 14. A. C.: I'm glad you did, Ranger. I like to see the men from the field  
 15. every chance I get. I think you'll want to see and talk with  
 16. some of the Division Chiefs too, however.  
 17. JIM: I'd like that, sir.  
 18. A. C.: I think it's desirable that you get a good cross-section from  
 19. here of what the Forest Service is doing in the war effort.  
 20. You'll have a chance during the next few weeks, I know, to see  
 21. many of these things in practice in the field. But there's  
 22. this in particular that you ought to keep in mind as you go  
 23. about on your new assignment.  
 24. JIM: Yes sir?

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3. future depends not only on the outcome of this war we're  
4. fighting now but also on how promptly and how well we prepare  
5. for the future.

6. JIM: I understand.

7. A. C.: For this future, too, we're going to need a productive  
8. agriculture, busy factories, a people at work, and plentiful  
9. supplies of raw materials. I don't need to tell you... but we  
10. need to tell all Americans...forests have always been one of  
11. the greatest of all our assets. And that's our particular  
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13. rangers in America, and those of us here in Washington who are  
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16. the forests provide our war machine with everything it needs  
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22. You'll meet a great many people as you visit the various  
23. National Forest areas throughout the country on this  
24. assignment, Ranger. I know you'll do a good job...And now I'm  
25. afraid I'll have to run along.

(MORE)

In my opinion, two things stand out above all else, today, and in the future, in a world at peace. The other is that our future depends not only on the outcome of this war, but on fighting now, but also on how promptly and how well we prepare for the future.

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5. Acting Chief while I'm here, that is, if he's not too all-fired
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13. one, and tell them who you are. As for your first request...
14. JIM: Three-oh-oh-one? Isn't this three-oh-oh-one?
15. A. C.: No, Ranger. This is Room 3-oh-one-oh. You see, I'm the Acting
16. Chief...
17. PAUSE:
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